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...TEN PAGES TODAY...

A VENERABLE DAILY FRAUD.

Hon. Champ Clark's flery speech in behalf of Cuba did not go into the Congressional Record with the interruptions and questions with which the speech was met and the fact caused a little house spat, in which the Missouri representative urged for excuse that he had eliminated everything from the proofs furnished him which he did not consider "pertinent."

The incident has directed attention again to the unreliability of that daily publication by congress, an unreliability that differs in kind only, and not in degree, from the worst specimens of 'yellow journalism." The house pays \$25,000 a year for a stenographic report of its proceedings and the senate as much more. After the stenographers have sent their copy to the pubto printing office, it is set up and proofs distributed to the gentlemen of either house further of revenue. who call for them. The forms of the Record are kept open till 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning, waiting for the return of these proofs, and when the speeches get back to the printer the house would never recognize them! Whole paragraphs are climinated or changed. Insertions are made and the speech of the honorable member comes out the next day as he would like to have delivered it, but not as he did sctually deliver it!

For years the custom has prevailed of printing speeches, with the parenthetical applause," that were never spoken, but

Either the shorthand men should be confined in their work to a mere report of the laughable inconsistency. proceedings, without the speeches, or the members should not be allowed to change the Record except by common consent the next day, when some error has slipped in.

That congressional publication is answerable for a load of sins of emission and government refused to report speeches we should see a wonderful improvement in congressional methods. Time and money would be saved and it would be possible to even anticipate something like a business attention to the public business. And shove all, such a reform would be directly in the interest of morality by removing the temptation from the congressman's pathway to practice innumerable little trauds upon an unsuspecting and confiding con-

COST OF CURRENCY "REFORM."

To the extent that silver has depreciated or that gold has appreciated, to that extent the house of representatives at Washington, Monday, voted to add to the debt burdens of the United States by refusing to agree that the government has the egal and moral option to discharge its oding obligations in silver as well

While the attitude of the republican me, therefore, with reference to existing obligations is fresh in mind, the administration's attitude with reference to the creation of further obligations, is especially interesting and significant.

The democratic party did not approve of the Claveland policy of increasing the public debt in time of peace to maintain the gold reserve, nor does it now indorse nes looking to that end. The republicans, however, are proposing to double sland and for the same purpose, the sance of the gold standard. In face their campaign assaults in 1896 upon. Cieveland-Caritale bond issues.

Have the people at large or even the saless element that supported the gold arry in 1896, stopped to reflect that to hange our currency system according to as Gage or Indianapolis plan, will cont government the sum of \$550,000,000 to of it—the actual cost of the change will reach over a half billion dil-

d for what and for whose her of the money of the Nation! The money is to be retired by The boads would run necesy years, and at 2 per cont heir returns on the \$560,000,000 they exnd to make the change? Was there ever such a monstrous finan-

cial proposition heard of before? The public debt by \$262,000,000 to maintain the gold reserve. The reasoning for this act can be appreciated, even if condemned. But what earthly excuse for adding \$350,-00,000 more to the bonded debt, merely to replace one kind of paper money, an that the best, with another kind that is ased on bankable assets, is a private ue and not a legal tender? Even New York Sun rebels against such robbery and outrage and says that "the senate has taught these fanatics a leason. But what shall be thought of a republican house that has deliberately repudiated the senate's action? The English language is not sufficiently flexible or comprehensive, within the bounds of decency, to fitly characterize the house's position.

DINGLEYISM AND RECIPROCITY.

The administration is discrediting its own pet theory of protection through a high tariff and directly abandoning its loudheralded intention of raising adequate revnues for the government by the Dingley bill route, whenever it declares its readiness to enter into a reciprocity treaty with foreign country.

Reciprocity means that we will knock off import duties on another Nation's goods coming into this country, if that other Naion will admit our wares and merchanline without charge, or at a nominal figire. The plan is practical free trade be ween the two countries to the treaty, and of course, and at once, an abandonment as suggested, of both revenue and the idea of protection. Carried out fully, or with dozen or so leading Nations, the reciprocty plan would be the virtual adoption o free trade policy.

Now far has the administration gone in furthering reciprocity? To what extent ke it indorsing the democratic position by attempting to suspend Dingley bill duties? We are fold that negotiations for recip-

recity treaties are "progressing finely" a this time between Washington and Paris Berlin and Madrid and Japan, not to mention three or four South American countries. England generously allows our goods free entry, and, therefore, we repay her with the maintenance of our high schedules against her goods! Suppose thes negotiations come to a satisfactory ar the inevitable result? Simply the placing of a great portion of our foreign commercial on a free trade basis and depriving us still

The democrats have no complaint to make of the extension of the free trade dectrine so long as it does not cripple the revenue. Extreme high tariff cuts down treasury receipts and absolute free trade would do likewise. The democrats want a nicely adjusted low tariff for revenue purposes only. The republicans, however. seem incapable of grasping the demands of the situation, and to escape from the stagnation caused by their prohibitive tariffs, are driven to the other extreme-reciprocity. These negotiations, therefore, interpolations of "applause," often "great are a confession, at one and the same time, that greater free trade is necessary and inserted in the Record under "leave to that the Dingley bill is in the way of such a trade. It is a curious but striking instance of floundering statesmanship and

ABOUT MUNICIPAL REFORM.

Hon. Andrew D. White, at present our minister to Germany, is quoted as declaring, from his observations in two continents, that "without the slightest exagexceptions the city governments of the United States are the worst in Christencom, the most expensive, the most inefficient and the most corrupt."

Should these remarks even be an exaggeration, the general proposition stated, that our city governments in America are less satisfactory and efficient than those of European cities, is one whose truth has been long recognized.

The comfort of the citizen and his right to faithful service from the focal officiale, are regarded as considerations worthy of all attention in Europe. But this policy is put into operation, not by allowing the individual special freedom and permitting each tub to stand on its own bottom, to use a familiar expression, but by keeping the general public good always in view. The public's rights are jealously guarded in all things, and individual interests are mercilessly sacrificed if they conflict with the general welfare. Contractors are not allowed to reap benefits at the expense of the public; one citizen is not permitted to block public improvement, nor to endanger the neighborhood health by maintaining a nulsance. The iron hand of government goes straight to the task, and it is the poiicy to keep the people contented by furnishing such comforts of every Lind as government can furnish.

True, there are exceptions to this general rule in Europe, just as there are exceptious to the indifferent, slipshod and unsatisfactory municipal management in the United States. A dirty, ill-kept European city, or a filthy quarter of some such city, is now and then found, but rarely. Paved streets, good water, improved sewer plants line parks, public conveniences of every de. scription, with perfect police control, and all at the least possible expense, are the rule to all the leading cities of Europe. Municipal government acandals are reldom heard of, and the general contrast in the quiet and efficient management abroad and the reverse at home is instantly recognized

by all American travelers Of course, greater age and the presence monarchical power have something to with th's, although the local governnts enjoy a large degree of freedom, ut a radical difference to the sense of pub-He responsibility entertained by popular presentatives there and here, is chiefly contable for the contrast. The incitrence, too, of the hustness and profesial and largest taxpaying elements with s. in the matter of ward politics, thus onting ward borses and professional poli-nians to manipulate the ignorant or float-g vote and put themselves in control of Man. In Europe the tax, a; or, or

GAGE'S ZEAL TOO GREAT. He is Proving Embarrassing to Western Republicans.

St. Louis Republic. Washington, January 30. - Secretary Gage's Philadelphia speech is being discussed widely by senators and representatives. In commenting upon it today, Rep-

rescutative Champ Clerk said; "The consuming neal of a new convert hes passed into a proverb and has become one of our staple figures of speech. Secre. tary Gage is the freshest illustration. His tongue approximates a perpetual motion machine. Erstwhile a free trade democrat,

machine. Erstwhile a free trade democrat, he now appears to be 'the whole thing' in republican circles, and to outhered Herod in advocacy of republican doctrines.

"What such regulars as John Bherman, John S. Morrill, Galusha A. Grow and General Grosvenor, who helped to rock the cradie of the republican party, and who will follow its heatse, think of the capers of Mr. Gage, whose conversion to republicanism was almost simultaneous with his appointment to the cabinet, could not be published in any newspaper without causing it to be excluded from the mails for profanity. profaulty. "How Joseph H. Walker of Massachu-

"How Joseph H. Walker of Massachu-retts, who was the author of an interest-ing volume on 'Money, Trade and Bank-ing,' while Mr. Gage was still voting and shouting for Grover Cleveland, chafes at the impudence of Mr. Gage in presuming to lecture him and his committee will create a sensation some fine day when Brother Walker is in the dynamite mood. Brer Walker lacks a great deal of being as meek as Moses, and his temper is of the gun-powder variety. The process of elimina-tion watch is being practiced on him is liable to produce an explosion. The sec-retary's assumption of superior financial wisdom wounds Mr. Chairman Walker's amour proces. To show, Care' in his safe amour propre. To shout 'Cage!' in his ears is about as hazardous a performance , shaking a red rag in the face of a mad be vine of the mascular gender. In offering novice to Chairman Walker, who is cock sure that he needs none, and in preparing tinancial bills for him, whose delight is to

inancial bills for him, whose delight is to prepare hills of that sort, the secretary is exercising about as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the businers and of a robust mule.

"Mr. Gage is undeniably causing divers only trace of democratic virtue still apparaments on banking and currency—I ran across one of the ablest of my republican friends from the desired of the secretary is exercising about as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the businers of the secretary is exercising about as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising about as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising about as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising ebout as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising ebout as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising ebout as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising ebout as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising ebout as much prudence as the boy who prevists in toying with the business of the secretary is exercising ebout as much prudence as the boy who previses in toying with the business of the secretary is exercised as the boy who previses in toying with the business of the secretary is exercised as the boy who previses in toying with the business of the secretary is exercised as the boy who previses in toying with the business of the secretary is exercised as the boy who previses in toying with the business of the secretary is exercised as the boy who previses in the secretary is exercised as the boy who previses a secretary is exercised as the boy who previses a secretary is exercised as the boy who previses a secretary is exercised as the boy who previses a secretary is exer about the eyes. His open, fold and enture stastic adolatry of the golden calf gives them the cold shivers. Mr. Gage learned honesty while a democrat, and this blunt honesty of the renegade free trader—the

the general government, looks after mat-

Universal auffrage and representative

government are all right, if everybody will

rote, but when thousands of the good peo-

ple of cities eschew politics, the dishonest

schemers and ward hosses and heelera get

on top. To attend all primaries, or mass

meetings, or conventions, and see that only

the best men are selected for office, is an

imperative duty, as it is the privilege, of

An American physician who has been

making observations in Hawaii thinks that

annexation would mean the certain introduc-

tion of leprosy here by natives of the islands

adventurers and speculators who are urging

the annexation scheme care for that fact?

salt into the Northern factory lord's sore!

read that are as admirable as they are

dened with hysterical Jeems Corbett this sca-

The senate has reported against the bill

creating a department of public health for

ce. The marine hospital service possibly

has its value, but we of the South would be

more than willing to dispense with its quar-

year's trouble was a great object lesson.

ike recklessly challenging fate.

autine authority and expert diagnosis. Last

Another bill has been presented to the Na

It is said that never before has the postal

business of the country shown such an in-

crease as in the past six months. But the

distressing fact appears to be that as the

Our Texas congressmen are keeping them-

cives well in front in the lower house at

It is now beginning to be recognized that

the New England factory "cut down" was

with the hope of forcing a strike and thus ob-

taining an excuse for a general shutdown

without offending the prosperity bowlers too

By the way, the quiet and good order in

Havapa since the Maine began to look o

over there are significant. There is no peace

The papers that were so quick in this coun-

have had no word of criticism to urge against

the cowardly assassination of Aranguen. Let

us charitably presume that they expect noth-

ing but brutality and assassination from the

The republican party in the house continues

platform. First Cuba was thrown over, and

The Pederal supreme court has taken

three weeks' rocess with a large number of

important cases awaiting only a decision. The life job is a remarkably independent one, and especially where it is "anarchy" to crit-

The trouble with Senator Allen's proposed

icy by placement is preferred by the senate

The distribution of the Texas offices in cut-

that the whole republican party cuts in elec-

od deal more les in the public ex-

ise the fellow who holds it.

aw all pretense of friendliness towards bi-

chasize the hollowness of the St. Louis

ondemn the execution of Colonel Ruiz

maker like the one with a big gun.

Spanish in Cuba.

Washington. But Texas is entitled to prom-

inence in any National gathering.

business increases so does the department

fear it might upset the marine hospital serv

every American citizen.

country.

highly commended.

tions in this State. Opportunities like the present do not come often, however, to the local faithful and "pio" is doubly agreeable as a dessert when it is only occasionally handed around.

The reports of terrific heat in Australia a this time of the year need not lead to the supposition that anything is upset in the solar system-it is the season of the Australian summer and the Australian summer is abenof anything in that line outside of equatorial Africa-it is as hot as Austin or San Antonio in July,

RECENT INVENTIONS.

An English firm is manufacturing a lock which has the keyhole set in the edge of the outer doorknob to draw the bolt, which who now have latent cases. But what do the prevents the knob from turning.

Stenographers will appreciate a newly Every sound argument is against annexation, but argument has ceased to control this port and raise the book into a nearly vercountry. tical position. Some of the New England factory hands To prevent accidents from persons falling

some of the New England factory hands might come South and assist in rubbing more salt into the Northern factory lord's sore!

The action of the International and Great to catch the falling person. Northern railroad in placing a special train at the command of the Houston deep water Spring blevele frames are being made with telescopic tubes inclosing air cushions which receive the force of the jar from delegation to Washington, is deserving of all rough roads, the cushions being inflated the

kinds of praise. It indicates an up-to-date- same as pneumatic tires. ness and liberality in the management of A recently designed plumb bob has a spring reel mounted in its upper portion conspicuous. It shows also a readiness to to carry the supporting cord, which passes assist materially in the upbuilding of this out through a hole in the top set on a line section and of Texas that can not be too with the point of the bob.

section and of Texas that can not be too A new can-opener has a pair of shear blades set at right angles with the han-Baseball cranks will be glad to learn that dles to be inserted in an opening in the the great National game is not to be burcan made by driving the punch at the end dened with hysterical Jeems Corbett this sea.

Two Southern men have designed a motor to be used in churning, which consists of framework carrying a shaft, having a wind-wheel at one end and a crank at the other, which operates the dasher.

To light the fire in the stove at any desired time an absorbent roller is set at the top of an inclined surface, to be ignited and rolled under the fire box when set in motion by the clock mechanism.

Dining tables are being made which can be changed into billiard tables, the end and side rails which carry the cushion being hinged to swing below the table when it is wanted for heating or other purposes. tional house explicitly defining trusts and providing for breaking them up. This looks

POINTS ABOUT PEOPLE. The Duke of Coburg, Queen Victoria's

fiddling son, has just paid \$7000 for a Stradivarius lain Bateman of the United States army, and Garrett White, a full-blooded Piegan Indian, were married at Duyper, Montana, last Thursday. Mrs. Minnie Cushman, daughter of Chap-

Nawl Tekuhonevake, the chief of the Iroquois in Canada, is preparing to visit Queen Victoria in order to secure a renewal of the American treaty of 1873, under which his people can cross the border without paying duty on their goods.

Rider Haggard is now devoting himself to farming at Ditchingham, and he does not settle down to novel writing before 11:30 o'clock in the morning. He dictates rapidly to his typewriter for five or six hours at a time. The scene of the novel upon which he is now at work is laid in Helland many centuries ago.

Rev. Dr. J. Houston Becleston of Balti-

Helland many centuries ago.

Rev. Dr. J. Houston Eccleston of Baltimore has just been elected dean of the Episcopal Theological seminary of Virginis. Dr. Eccleston is one of the most widely known clersymen of the Episcopal church, and has twice declined a bishopric. The first time was in 1875, when he was chosen as bishop of lowa, but, owing to some quastion as to the legality of his election, he refused to accept. Again, in 1877, Dr. Eccleston declined the bishopric of West Virginia.

Reflections of a Bachelor. New York Press.

Every rose has a few thorns and every woman has a lot of plus stuck in her.

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publicans, who pose as international hi-metallists, betwirt the devil and the deep

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Our Defenseless Condition To the Editor of The Post. Galveston, Texas, January 31,-In today's ssue you say editorially: "The refusal to appropriate the sums asked for the continuance of the fortification work under this congress is a silly piece of economy.

three months than three times the whole estimate for completion of the coast de-These be pregnant thoughts concisely ex-

These be pregnant thoughts convisely expressed. In hopes that their repetition may rouse patriotic citzens to demand immediate congressional action thereon, I pray you will re-main hom.

As the New York Hapid in a late leader pointedly said: "The National conscience needs stirring, 'or disturbing as are the financial problems which they are nothing in conformation with the dangers which may follow foreign argression." Just so just so

Just so, just so.
If my memory serves ne right it is near-

ly twenty years since P. J. Tilden ad-dressed that Incisty's letter to congress exend urging prompt action through proper plans and adequate appropriations there were no disquieting signs visible. But for the past five years the frightfully unreasonable triging ration by the mon-archies of Europe of lived and sea arma-ments are a natural curse for grave apprehensions by this agreeaal government. Yet there has been but a slight increased pre-paredness for self drease by our govern-

Urge congress on Mc Editor. And, besides the lumentable condition of our fortifications, we all know that the regments of the regular arms are, through descritons mercly skeletons. And now comes Theodors Pooteralt, assistant secre-tary of the navy, who conferred that "the navy in its present condition is a weak arm for the government to depend upon." Very truthfully says Captain Paymester

George De Forest Barton. The fault lies with congress. Larger appropriations should be made for our navy. This fact is highly appreciated by all who live along the Atlantic, Pacific, gulf and lake shores, but the people in the interior of the country do not appreciate. the country do not appreciate the situa-tion. We need more ships, and we need ships of the most modern type."

Captain Barton says the fault lies with congress, rather with those members of congress who fear to vote for the urgently needed appropriations for defense lest it cause their defeat for re-election.

and Garrett White, a full-blooded Piegan Indian, were married at Duyper, Montana, last Thursday.

Sir Robert Hart, chief commissioner of Chinese customs; McLevy Brown, chief commissioner in Corea, and Consul General Jordan of Scoul, are all Irishmen and graduates of Queen's college, Belfast.

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A mighty sovereign once exclaimed: "It were easier to replace slaughtered soldiers than to restore lost National honor!"

Mr. Editor, please urke coursess to action. Very respectfully.

John Markham, Politics in East Texas.

To the Editor of The Post. Lufkin, Texas, January 31.—The Washagton special in Saturday's Post he alding the success of Congressman Cooper in no curing the passage of the bill paying the Southern Methodist Book Publishing company for property destroyed by the Federals during the war, amounting to \$285,-900, was well received by the many ndmirers of Mr. Cooper in and around Luf-

kin. It was in no way a surprise to the woman has a lot of plus stuck in her.

It is what we don't think that makes us innocent and what we don't do that keeps us so.

Nothing spoils a woman so for the men as to get the reputation of being "well informed."

The fatter and plumper a woman gets the more she longs to have some man call her his little gir!

The average woman begins to hint around to her husband that he ought to was the astonishing reply. Easier said than done, however. I observe with a feeling not akin to pain that 'Gage,' as my republican friend irreverently called McKinley's great minister of the exchequer, has not been dumped to any extent observable to the naked are. An entraire, as the to the naked eye. Au contraire, as the Prench would say. "Like Aunt Jemima's plaster,

"The more you try to pull him off, "The more he sticks the faster."

"Senator Welcott undertook to dump him the other day, but Mr. Gage keeps right on in his role of bull in the uhlina shop, smeshing the republican crock-ery and making many of the oldtimers ery and making many of the oldtimers heartsick as they contemplate the ruin he hath wrought. Indeed, his egotism, growing with what it feeds on, gets worse and worse. In his Philadephiz speech he raises himself at his own game. When he said both before the committee on banking and currency, and also in his Philadelphia speech that one of the objects he had in mind in provisions offered by him is 'to commit the country more thoroughly to the gold standard,' he uttered the epitaph of the republican pariy."

GAGE TOO PLAIN SPOKEN.

Senator Frye Says the Secretary Has Stirred Up the Silver Men. Poston, Mass., January 39.—(Republican

Special.)-Senator Frye of Maine, who is ner Monday, in a talk on the Teller resolu-tion today made it plain that he thought Secretary Gage's insistence as to a single secretary Gage's insistence as to a single in town awaiting the hardware men's dingold standard precipitated the silver vic-

tory. He said:
"If the amendment of Senator Nelson to the Teller resolution had not been voted down, the effect of the adoption of the res-olution would be to square the silver men for their fight in 1900. That is what it is for. They were spurred on to their present activity by the attitude of Gage in urging

the acceptance of the single gold standard.
"If Gage had been a politician as well as a banker he probably would not have insisted on a declaration in favor of a single gold stendard. It was all right for him to gold standard. It was all right for him to submit his scheme of linance, but hardly politic to be so specific about the single

schoolmaster to Mr. Walker's committee on banking and currency—I ran across one of the ablest of my republican friends from the Transmississippi country, and said to immediate effect of the adoption of the Tel-Western republicans in the hole, or in the heart. The senators can now go home and polished lingo of Dr. William Everett, say they voted to have the bonds of the "Deposited you in a cavity?"

"Oh, d—n Gage! We'll dump him," them solid with their constituents."

get his life insured long before she can say she only wants it for the benefit of the children.

The reason why very tall girls don't get married eastly is because whenever they try to act like little, nostling things that want to be taken care of, they act ridicu-

I find the gubernatorial race somewhat mixed in my wanderings among the people. Wynne and Jester both have their adherents, but the race so far lies undoubtedly ents, but the race so far less undoubtents between Major Sayers and Attorney General Crane. I also find upon a further can-vass among the "unwashed" that Governor Culberson will not have so complete a walk-over as some of the newspapers and correspondents seem to think, but ere the correspondents seem to think, but ere the campaign gets thoroughly warmed up. Roger Q. will be found very muchly in the ring. And why not? With one exception Senator Mills has always been found at his post and carnestly laboring to forward the interests of all the people. That exception was upon the free coinage of silver and his final vote, together with his explanation, as shown in the Congressional Record, appears to me to be entirely satisfactory. I am not in favor of swapping off good and tried men in either branch of the National legislature for untried ones, however great their obligation; and while I admire the brilliancy and statesmanship of our talented young ex-A little brush with a foreign power would cost us more if unprepared for defense in statesmanship of our talented young ex-ecutive. I honestly believe he can wait another term before donning the senatoris toga, and therefore shall pronounce for our present able senator, Roger Q. Mills.

Sayers in Fort Bend.

To the Editor of The Post. Richmond, Texas, January 31 .- The tele gram in your paper today from Dallas to the effect that Mr. Senter is authority for the statement that the Crane men are or ganized in "every county in the State except Bastrop" for a fight is incorrect. Being a newspaper man of experience Mr. Senter no doubt knows that such a statement will have its effect upon the lukewarm, the indifferent and the undecided, but it will not have the effect of concerting the voters of South Texas from the solid phalanx which will insist upon the nomination of Joseph Sayers. In one precinct of this county it is possible that Mr. Jester will be strongly represented, but as good Governor J. S. Hogg to democrats they will yield to the popular date for the United St demand for Sayers. I believe Jester is second choice of the Sayers men here, and our citizens and forward second choice of the Sayers men here, and Sayers will receive the support of the few Jester men of the county when they see their champion has lest. There are not enough Crane men in this county to take a social drink together, and Mr. Senter has no right to make statements so broad. His assertion will only concentrate the opposition to his candidate in this section, and he will gain nothing. The people here are sore over the presumption of the attorney general asking for the position of governor, and no matter how which he will call the control of the control of the state of the control torney general asking for the position of governor, and no matter how able he may be they think the time has arrived when the "precedent" should be abolished. They are corposed to electing an obscure lawyer to the office of attorney general and guaranteeing him the position of governor. Mr. Senter is a little too broad in his statement and should either read the country pressor do some correspondence if he wants to maintain his exalted position as a reliable authority on Texas politics. Yours truly, Governor Hogg is we hands all he's got to has rendered Texas as withstanding his destination.

George Dunlop Pulling for Deep Water. Scaly News.

The citizens of Houston are not "sleeping on their cars," but are "pulling for deep water" in Buffalo bayou. They have selected all working committees and are using their utmost endeavors to secure the necessary government appropriation for carrying out the channel improvements.

West Texas "Grub." Del Rio Record.

Some Washington guys have malled the Record "A Call For a Pure Food Congress. All we need in West Texas is combread, cow peas and sow belly, all of which we can raise and guarantee. Let the other fellows worry over the fancy grub.

Tough on the Ox.

Sherman Register. Gath, in The Houston Past, say, that Henry Clay in Reed's seat was as a solabeam compared with a sorrel ax. Such comparisons are a slander on the innocent

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A little Atchison girl recently gave a

GOSSIP OF GAY

New York, January 29 .- . latest statistics collected by gan, the total number of car each) of milk, oream and received in New York in 18 This was an increase of 3,51 the amount received in 1885 the amount received in 1885, monthly price of milk to the quart in 1897 was 2.35 cens was 2.77 cents. The lowest was made in June, 1.75 chighest in December, 3 cens of butter in this div 2.109,503 packages, the high pound being 2254 cents, in Octobers, 15 cents, in June and

Multi-millionaire Hetty today in her office at the Cl an original and fetching rie was of plain black mat stro was of prain black mat stro alpaca, and it was cut of probably to save goods. Ow an apron of black figure w draped effect. Around her black vell, through the m her steel-colored hair glims on Mr. Venderblit's famou on Mr. Vanderbilt's famous Hetty says she doesn't care the public believes the free of of the doctors or not.

Citizen George Francis T bosen to make the arrang annual dinner of the Thir about concluded the prelir banquet. The dinner will be ruary 13 at the Mills House, 13 courses at 1 cent a co Train is the lion of Bleecker

The sarcophagus in which Mrs. U. S. Grant will rest al is now in the tomb alongside contains the body of her mortal general and president cophagi are similar in ever placing of the sarcophagus ends the labors of the Gr association. The statuary ations in the tomb will be supervision of the park de tiful Riverside, even at

The ninth annual exhibition York Poultry and Pigeon a be held in Madison Square week, beginning Tuesday ing Saturday night. The nounces that more than 600 exhibited, including many of exhibited, including many of in this country. As the fe grows in popularity each peated, this season's show gage the attention of visit egg producers, incubator

President Holahan of the improvements, in an inter-Van Wyck, urged that ste once to collect the \$10,000.6 of unpaid assessments due and Richmond boroughs. so near its debt limit that be done. "Consolidation," brought us into these differ burdens enough of our own must shoulder the burdens of boroughs."

Looking like a ghost of h Bettina Girard is daily per theatrical agencies seeking She is still a boarder in tarium, but has so far reconsts to be able to get out is Reports about her reconcilifamily, and intention to relife have been greatly en ing from her quest for footlights.

The New York Association the Condition of the Pour for 3524 men during per cent of the men with ences were placed in 1896, t

cent secured work. Gravesend, and these pla stration in his honor as

the State's prison in April The sauce cook in the

draws \$200 a month. No ta Newburg comes high the FROM EX-GOVERS He Declines to Enter

McKinney Gazette. A few days since Dr. J. this city circulated a date for the United S

Dr. J. P. Webster, McKl Austin, Texas, Januar Sir: Replying to your the 19th, I beg to say been, am not now an candidate for the U ship. For many reas

Governor Hogg is very of Texas, and if he want hands all he's got to de has rendered Texas 200 withstanding his desire many years roll arou bave him in harness al

Senator Tillett 6 Abilene Reporter. Senator Tillett will

re-election. It affords to make this announ amination of the Set Twenty-fifth legislatur record of toil, care, ity, second to that of that body, His exi will make him a still ber of that body, a much more toward where it can be done in our laws. He tells this be a candidate for has consented to becre-election this time re-election this time utmost to help larly. He is a man terests keep him very ly one of the hardest. Those who were at a ling of the legislatus to his high standing courteous consider.

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